

Appl. No. 10/807,851
Response dated October 11, 2005
Reply to Office Action of September 12, 2005

REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the Office Action dated September 12, 2005, in which the Examiner entered a Restriction Requirement for original Claims 1-50. The Restriction Groups were set out as follows:

Group I. Claims 1-18 and 47 drawn to a process for producing liquid hydrocarbons; and

Group II. Claims 19-46 and 48-50 drawn a gas-agitated multiphase reactor system.

Election without Traverse

With this Response, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group II without traverse. In addition, Applicants have cancelled non-elected claims 1-18 and 47 of Group I. Claim 34 was cancelled as being a duplicate of claim 33. Claims 19, 21, 33, 35, 36, 38, 39, and 41 were amended to improve claim form and/or language or to correct dependence, or in some instances to correct some antecedent issues. Furthermore, Applicants have added new claims 51-68 to cover additional embodiments of the invention to which Applicants are entitled. No new matter was added by way of amendments and new claims.

New claims:

New claims 51-56 depend from elected independent claim 48, and are supported by the originally filed application, e.g. supported by at least paragraphs [0024]-[0026], [0028] and [0039] of the specification as filed.

New claims 57-69 depend from elected independent claim 19, and are supported by the originally filed application, e.g. supported by at least paragraphs [0013], [0022], [0023], [0025], [0027], [0038] and [0039] of the specification as filed.

Status of the Claims

Claims 19, 21, 33, 35, 36, 38, 39, and 41 have been amended.

Claims 1-18, 34, and 47 are now cancelled.

Claims 51-69 are new.

Claims 19-33, 35-46 and 48-69 are now pending.

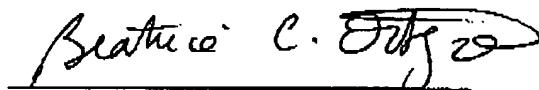
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Conclusion

Applicants believe that they have fully responded to the Office Action and that the pending claims are allowable. If the Examiner has any questions or comments, or otherwise feels it would be advantageous, he is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (281) 293-4751.

Should any fees have been inadvertently omitted, or if any additional fees are required or have been overpaid, or in the event that an extension of time is necessary in order for this submission to be considered timely filed, the Commissioner is authorized to please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Deposit Account Number 16-1575 of ConocoPhillips Company, Houston, Texas and consider this a petition for any necessary extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,



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